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Applicant: Fumihiko NISHIO et al.  
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For: INFORMATION PROVIDING APPARATUS, INFORMATION  
PROVIDING METHOD, DELIVERING APPARATUS, AND  
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Group A.U.: 2611

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified  
application, Applicants respectfully request that the  
application be amended as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure by rewriting  
same to read as follows:

A1 --An information providing apparatus for registering the  
delivery of content data including a storing section for